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SBC Holds Eventful Session

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Southern Baptist Convention, in historic session here last week, elected a new president, approved a new statement of faith, placed its wholehearted confidence in the trustees of Midwestern Seminary and adopted a comprehensive budget for world missions for 1964.

The convention, which recorded 12,971 messengers, the third highest on record, also elected a woman for the first time to one of its three highest offices and heard the encouraging news that Southern Baptist foreign missionaries now number 1627, three times as many as they had 15 years ago.

Elected as the new president was Dr. K. Owen White, pastor of Houston, Texas' First Baptist Church and outspoken leader among the conservatives who have taken definite stands against liberalism in the convention's agencies and particularly Midwestern Seminary.

He succeeds Dr. H. H. Hobbs, of Oklahoma City, who has served the past two years. Elected as first vice-president was Dr. Paul James, pastor of Manhattan Baptist Church, New York City.

Named as second vice-president was Mrs. R. L. Mathis, of Waco, Texas, immediate past-president of WMU, Auxiliary to the Convention, who has just been elected as promotion director for the organization.

Prolonged Session
The convention in a prolonged and somewhat noisy session overwhelmingly approved a new statement of faith. Lengthy debate centered on one sentence concerning the church, which reads as follows:

"The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages." An amendment to delete the sentence was defeated.

Several other attempts were made to amend but they too were all beaten down. The committee that prepared the statement was appointed at last year's convention and was composed of the presidents of all the state conventions with Dr. Hobbs as chairman. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins of Jackson was vice-chairman.

The vote of confidence in Midwestern Seminary came as the convention voted to approve and record in its Book of Reports a statement of progress presented by Dr. Malcolm Knight, of Florida, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the institution.

Charges of liberalism have been leveled against Midwestern faculty since Dr. Ralph Elliott, a faculty member, wrote "The Message of Genesis," a biblical interpretation.

'Home Missions' Features Gulfshore

The front cover and pages 7-20 of the May Home Missions magazine are given entirely to a meeting held at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi.

The pictures and articles summarize events of the National Conference on Associational Missions at Gulfshore Assembly, when 642 associational and agency leaders met together for a week.

Sponsored by the Home Mission Board, in cooperation with the other agencies, the conference gave associational leaders an opportunity to discuss the functions and work of the association, its place in the life of the denomination, and its correlation with denominational units.

The Gulfshore feature contains 14 photographs of the buildings, men, and meetings at the assembly during the conference.

The cover photo shows a man, looking out toward the sea at Gulfshore's water-front.

tion of the first book of the Bible. Elliott was later dismissed for refusing to bow to a request not to reprint the book.

Trustees Aware
The book precipitated a request by last year's convention for agency trustees to stamp out views in their institutions which threaten the "historic Baptist position." Dr. Knight, in his statement, said that the trustees were aware of the convention's desires and had, along with the faculty, committed themselves to a nine-point statement of aims.

These affirmed a "belief in the inspiration of the Bible and all parts thereof," and said the Bible contains accounts of the miraculous and supernatural which do not depend upon the ability of man to understand. The statement also affirmed that teachers should present various views in teaching and reject anything that refers to the Bible as mythology.

Chris Barker, Independence, Mo., layman, told the messengers that he had accumulated 1,000 affidavits from laymen in the Kansas City area (Continued on page 2)

N.O. ALUMNI WILL HONOR R. Q. LEAVELL

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8 —Alumni of New Orleans Seminary have voted to raise funds and establish a Roland Q. Leavell Chair of Evangelism at the Seminary.

In presenting the proposal, Eugene Stockstill of Marion, Ala., reminded the alumni of the late Dr. Leavell's interest and scholarship in the field of evangelism. The idea originated with the seminary's Alabama alumni.

Dr. Leavell, who served as president of New Orleans Seminary for 12 years, died Jan. 15

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS SING 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY' TO TRUMAN

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(RNS)—The Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting here was sidetracked briefly when some 12,000 messengers took time out to sing "Happy Birthday" to former President Harry S. Truman.

Mr. Truman, marking his 79th birthday, received the tribute from fellow-Baptists when he visited the Municipal Auditorium where the messengers were gathered.

He acknowledged the gesture with a broad smile and responded with a greeting to the SBC which also was observing the 118th anniversary of its formation in 1845.

Mr. Truman told the delegates that his family had been Baptists for at least four generations. He said he liked being a Baptist because "Baptists are governed from the church up and not from the top down, and I think that's the way the Lord intended."

When Mr. Truman left the Convention he received a standing ovation from the delegates.

Japan Crusade Has 22,000 Decisions

By Jim Newton

TOKYO (BP)—The Japan Baptist New Life Movement, termed by its leaders as the biggest evangelistic crusade in the history of Christendom, ended with a total of 22,214 decisions for Christ throughout Japan in a five-week period.

"The response is far beyond anything we had anticipated," said C. Wade Freeman, Director of the Evangelism Division for the Baptist General Convention of Texas which co-sponsored the Crusade with the Japan Baptist Convention and the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

The total number of decisions far exceeded the number of Baptists in the entire nation. Before the Crusade began, there were 14,000 Baptists in Japan.

Leaders in the Japan Baptist Convention had hoped to double the number of Baptists in Japan as a result of the campaigns.

Related Asian New Life Movement Crusades in several other countries in the Orient were still in progress when the Japan meetings closed.

Crusade in Okinawa

Earlier Crusades in the Philippines had ended with 6,037 professions of faith—in 6,037 revivals, and an additional 2,184 decisions in Billy Graham Evangelistic Crusades which opened the New Life Movement in the Philippines.

Another New Life Movement in Okinawa reported 1,108 decisions, bringing the latest total number of decisions in the Orient as a result of the movement to more than 31,500.

Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Executive Secretary Baker James Cauthen said following the Crusades that the New Life Movement might be setting a new pattern for missionary advance throughout the world in the future.

Although Southern Baptists have been leading revivals on foreign fields for many years, the New Life Movement was different from any previous campaign in the denomination's history.

Its scope covered eight nations in the Orient—Japan, the Philippines, Okinawa, and later campaigns in Taiwan, South Korea, Guam, Singapore and Hong Kong. Baptists in Hawaii also held revival campaigns resulting in more than 500 decisions.

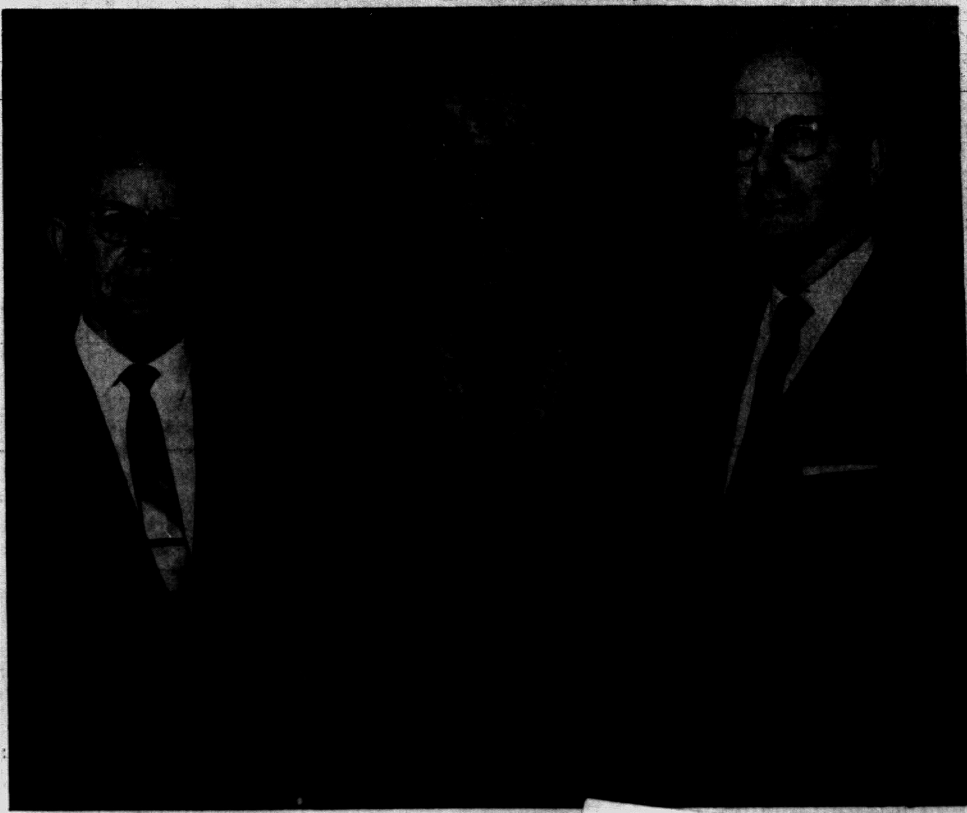
William Fleming, Baptist Layman, Dies In Texas

FORT WORTH (BP)—William Fleming, wealthy Fort Worth oilman who has given millions of dollars to support Christian causes around the world, died here of an apparent heart attack.

Funeral services for the prominent Baptist philanthropist were held May 9 at Broad-

way Baptist Church where he was a member, and the following day at First Baptist Church of Whitehouse, Tex., with burial there.

Officiating at funeral services were J. P. Allen, pastor of Broadway Baptist Church here; Robert Taylor, president of Southern Baptist Convention; and E. J. McMane, real estate and insurance executive, and president of the Dallas Southern Baptist Convention. (Continued on page 2)



SBC OFFICERS INCLUDE WOMAN—Southern Baptist history when the Convention honored Mrs. R. L. Mathis as first vice president. Elected president was Dr. K. O. White of New York as first vice president.

first woman officer in Texas as second vice Paul S. James of New York

SBC Action Affirms Conservative Position

An Editorial Report By the Editor

(Note: This interpretative analysis of the recent Southern Baptist Convention was partly written in Kansas City during the closing days of the convention. It is probable that the editor will have some editorial after-thoughts concerning the convention to be presented later.)

Southern Baptists are going to stay in the main stream of conservatism and will not be swept from that either to the fundamentalist right or to the liberal left.

This does not mean that the convention refuses to be positioned. Its position is neither that of the modernist, nor of the extreme fundamentalist, but is strongly conservative.

Furthermore, there is no evidence of an impending split in the convention, even though there is sharp disagreement in beliefs on some matters. The Southern Baptist Convention is so large and so comprehensive, that it includes some who would be classed as liberals and some who are fundamentalists, but neither group controls the convention. The great host of pastors and churches are simply conservative in their theological position, and there is little evidence that any other group will gain control of the convention any time in the foreseeable future.

These conclusions come from the things said and done by the more than 12,000 Southern Baptists who gathered in Kansas City for the 1963 convention.

Statement of Faith
The conservative position was evidenced by the Statement of Faith adopted by the convention as an expression of the beliefs generally held among Southern Baptists. The statement opens with a declaration of belief in the Bible as "divinely inspired," with "God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error for its matter." The statement strongly declares belief in God, in the "divinity" and "virgin birth" of Christ, the great doctrines of grace in salvation, the security of the believer, the ordinances as given by Jesus, the doctrines of heaven, hell, the judgment, the second coming of Christ, etc. It is a conservative statement from beginning to end, and while not binding upon any church or individual Baptist as a creed, is a clear outline of things (Continued on Page 4)

Baylor Names New Drama Chairman

WACO, Tex. (BP)—A former drama department chairman for Baptist colleges in Alabama and Kentucky has been named the new director of the Baylor University Drama Department.

Baylor University President Abner McCall named Henry C. Lindsey, 45, to the post, and in a joint announcement, named four new faculty members to that department and revealed a new organization structure for that area of study.

McCall announced the elevation of Professor Glenn R. Capp, Chairman of Baylor's Speech - Radio Department, to become head of a newly-created Department of Oral Communication, which includes drama, speech, speech and hearing therapy, radio, and television.

The reorganization and new appointments were made following the resignation earlier this year of Baylor Drama Chairman Paul Baker, seven drama faculty members and several other department employees over a dispute following the administration's decision to close the controversial play "Long Day's Journey Into Night" because of its "offensive profanity."

The New Drama Department Chairman is now associate professor of speech and Director of Extension at Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, Kan.

Lindsey, a Baptist, had earlier served as Chairman of the Drama Department at Howard (Continued on page 2)

Lottie Moon Gifts Over \$10 Million

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(BP)—The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions has reached \$10,323,591 for a new record, Baker James Cauthen, Executive Secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, disclosed here.

Gifts to construct buildings in Southern Baptist Convention foreign mission areas totaled \$251,700 last year.

White Will Fight To End 'Liberalism'

KANSAS CITY, Mo., (BP)—K. Owen White, the 32nd president of the Southern Baptist Convention, said hours after his election here he will use his influence as head of the 10-million member denomination to remove liberalism from Baptist seminaries and schools.

"There are still areas within our schools that have liberal tendencies," the diminutive leader and exponent of conservative Baptist forces said at a press conference.

White said he took his own motion on the liberalism matter had not been fully implemented.

However, White said he felt he did not have a mandate to fight liberalism as a result of his election.

White's action, which was the San Francisco Convention last year said:

Motion Given
"That we express our abiding and unchanging objection to the dissemination of theological views in any of our seminaries which would undermine such faith in the historical accuracy and doctrinal integrity of the Bible, and that we courteously request the trustees and administrative officers of the institutions and other agencies to take such steps as shall be necessary to remedy at once those situations where such action is necessary to protect our historic position."

Asked if there was room for everyone in the Southern Baptist Convention, he said he felt there was room for any man who had trusted in Jesus.

Asked if he planned to continue to go after the liberalists in the Southern Baptist Convention, he said: (Continued on page 2)

WMU Observes 75th Anniversary



WMU EXECUTIVE SECRETARY GREETED HER PRESIDENTS—Miss Alma Hunt of Birmingham, executive secretary of the WMU, stands between present and past presidents of the auxiliary agency to the SBC. Mrs. Robert Fling of Cleburne, Tex. (left) is the newly elected president, and Mrs. R. L. Mathis of Waco, Tex., is the past president. Mrs. Mathis has taken an administrative position with the WMU organization. She will be promoted division director.

SBC Holds . . .

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upholding the seminary. The body also voted to request all its agencies to make a progress report to the convention regarding the matter of removing teachings and views which would threaten "our historic position."

Adopts Big Budget

The convention, in its 100th session, adopted a comprehensive Cooperative Program budget of \$19,348,500 for 1964 and launched a five-year post-Jubilee Advance Program beginning in 1965.

In explaining the budget, Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary, said that Southern Baptists hope the amount received would exceed 20 million dollars. All Cooperative Program funds above those allocated for the operating and capital needs budgets of the agencies are divided 75 per cent to the Foreign Board and 25 per cent to the Home Board.

The new Jubilee Program will emphasize "A Church Fulfilling Its Mission." The special themes will be worship, proclamation and witness, education, ministry, evangelism and world missions.

Southern Baptist Convention assets now stand at a record \$361.1 million dollars. It is \$21.7 million greater than the report of Dec. 31, 1961.

Reports of the two mission boards were highlights. Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Board, declared that "we now have 1627 missionaries in 82 countries and one of our hopes is to have 1800 under appointment when the convention meets in its Jubilee celebration next May in Atlantic City."

Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary of the Home Board, declared that "the Castro regime has given foes of Christianity a free hand to harass Southern Baptist churches and missions but the 145 there are continuing to spread the gospel despite this interference."

Resolutions Adopted

The body adopted the report of its Resolutions Committee, of which Dr. Hudgins was a member. These included resolutions on the American Bible Society, human freedom, recognition of the 75th anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union, appreciation of the host city, appreciation of Dr. and Mrs. Hobbs and their home church, First, Oklahoma City, and one on Christian responsibility.

A resolution had been introduced earlier regarding the placing of Negroes in jail in Birmingham, Ala., which said "we are deeply concerned that there are 2,400 of our Brethren, many of whom are Baptists, who have freely chosen to go to jail in order to remind us that they too would like to be free," and urged that a message be sent to them.

The resolution, according to convention policy, was referred to the Resolutions Committee. The committee failed to report it to the convention but instead reported a substitute, one on Christian responsibility, referred to above, which said, in effect "That we reaffirm our belief in the responsibility of every individual and local community to seek out solutions consistent with the teachings and example of Jesus Christ, conscious that the only permanent and satisfactory solution must be based upon Christian concepts."

The convention readily approved a number of recommendations of the Executive Committee, which included the following:

Kennedy Withdraws

The body by common consent approved the withdrawal of the proposed constitutional amendment which would admit messengers to the convention from Baptist churches in Canada. Dr. Nolan M. Kennedy, Amarillo, Texas, formerly of Mississippi, who had proposed the amendment, said his withdrawal was done in the interest of relaxing tensions between Baptist groups as they approached the Baptist Jubilee celebration at Atlantic City next year.

The Colorado and the Oregon-Washington conventions were formally approved as having met requirements for representation on the boards and agencies of the convention. In other actions the convention voted to require two successive conventions to approve constitutional amendments, approved an action which would designate the secretaries of the convention as "a recording secretary" and "registration secretary," rather than two recording secretaries as at present, amended a bylaw to say that no person who resigns as a trustee or director of an agency can be elected as trustee or director of another agency during that year unless his reason for resigning is because of removing to another state.

Also approved were charter changes for Golden Gate and Southeastern seminaries to provide local trustees from wider geographical areas, abolished the time, place and preacher committee and assigned the selection of the preacher to the committee on committees, approved the program structure of the Annuity Board and recommended that the churches cooperate in a religious census by the U. S. Census Bureau.

Oppose Parochial Aid

Dr. Routh pointed out that as a result of action taken last year, a resolution was sent to every member of Congress through the Public Affairs Committee to oppose public grants to sectarian colleges as a violation of separation of church and state.

In other action messengers voted down by an overwhelming majority a motion to refuse at future conventions to seat messengers from churches "which are related to national bodies which are connected with the National Council of Churches."

A Resolution, aimed at curbing the use of the United Nations as an instrument of peace by agencies of the convention, was referred to the Christian Life Commission for disposition.

Brooks Hays of Washington, assistant to the President of the United States and former president of the convention, was introduced and brought the following message from President Kennedy:

"Please convey to the Kansas City Convention my deepest gratitude for the prayers of Baptists for God's guidance in my duties as President. I am very much aware of their noble work in strengthening the Christian foundations of our country and wish them a most successful meeting."

The following reply was sent to President Kennedy: "The Southern Baptist Convention appreciates your greetings extended by our beloved former President Brooks Hays. 1 Tim. 1-4."

Dr. E. C. Brown of Columbia, S. C., was chosen to preach the sermon at the convention next year. Dr. Warren Hultgren, Tulsa, Okla., was named alternate.

Officers Elected

Other convention officers elected were: Dr. James Merritt, Ga., senior secretary; Dr. Joe Burton, Tenn., recording secretary, and Dr. Porter Routh, Tenn., treasurer. Jacksonville, Fla., was selected as the meeting place for 1968 with the dates being May 21-24.

Other meeting places already selected are Atlantic City, May 18-24, 1964; Dallas, June 1-4, 1965; Detroit, May 24-27, 1966; and New Orleans, May 23-26, 1967.

Former President of the United States, Harry Truman was introduced and spoke briefly.

New members from Mississippi on the various agencies of the convention included Dr. Landrum P. Leavell, Gulfport, to Home Board; Dr. Joe T. Odle, Jackson, to Public Affairs Committee; Purser Hewitt, Jackson, to Golden Gate Seminary, and Dr. Beverly Tinnin, Meridian, to the American Seminary Commission, Nashville.

Dr. Russell Bush, Columbia, was named to the Committee on Denominational Calendar and Rev. Howard Aufman, Columbia, was named on the

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7 —Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, celebrated its 75th anniversary in its annual session here.

Mrs. Robert Fling of Cleburne, Tex., was elected the new president, and Mrs. R. L. Mathis of Waco, Tex., the president for the past eight years, was named the new director of promotion to succeed Mrs. William McMurry, who retired several months ago.

Also, it was specified that the trust funds be administered by Southern Seminary "in conformity with the requirements of the trust agreement by and between the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Southern Baptist Foundation."

A further condition is that the trustees of the seminary shall, no later than March 31, each year, deliver to Woman's Missionary Union a certified statement that all funds received from the trust funds have been spent according to the purpose of the trust agreement.

Carver School is the successor to Woman's Missionary Union training school at Louisville, Ky. It is located adjacent to Southern Seminary and is in the process of being merged

Committee on Order of Business.

Bryan Elected

Serving this year on the committee on committees were Dr. Clyde Bryan, Hattiesburg and Purser Hewitt, Jackson. Named on the committee on boards were Dr. D. Lewis White, Hattiesburg and Glenn Perry, Philadelphia.

Rev. Tom Dunlap, Natchez, appeared on the convention program dealing with the Baptist Jubilee Advance. Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson and Rev. Joe Abrams, Clinton, were renamed to the Jubilee Advance Committee. Bryant Cummings, Jackson, served as a teller.

The convention sent a message of remembrance to Mrs. Roland Q. Leavell because of the passing of Dr. Leavell since the last convention. Making the motion was Rev. Howard Aufman, Columbia.

The election of Dr. White was effected under circumstances unprecedented in the history of the convention. In the original balloting Dr. Carl E. Bates, pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C., and Dr. White were highest in a field of eight nominees.

Much to the astonishment of the body, just prior to the taking of the run-off vote, Dr. Bates appeared on the platform and asked that his name be withdrawn as he "could not serve." He said that he had prayed for several hours that he might learn the will of God for his life.

His request was granted and the election procedure began all over again. This time, after several were nominated, Dr. White and Dr. W. O. Vaught, Jr., of Little Rock, who was reelected in Mississippi, were the two highest with Dr. White winning by a vote of 4210 to 4053.

Rumors Spread

Rumors had spread that Dr. Bates' church had influenced him to reject the presidency of the convention because of the future of the church, realizing the demands the office of president takes upon the time

with the Seminary. The Southern Baptist Convention voted approval of the merger last year and must vote favorably again this year before it can be completed.

Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary, presented the report of the Executive Board of Woman's Missionary Union. The women reported a total of 1,406,926 members in their four age-group organizations and a total of 196,558 organizations in the churches.

Two Offerings

Two major mission offerings are sponsored each year by the Woman's Missionary Union, the Annie Armstrong offering for home missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions. These funds are distributed by the two mission boards.

The Annie Armstrong offering for 1962 reached \$2,891,184.04 and the Lottie Moon offering totaled \$10,323,591.

Woman's Missionary Union does not receive funds from the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention. Its income is derived from sales of magazines and other materials, from endowments, from contributions from the Foreign and Home mission boards, and other sources.

In the financial report for the year ending September 30, 1962 the Woman's Missionary Union reported assets in the amount of \$2,762,584. The total general income reported for the same period was \$728,315.

Other new officers were J. R. Lobaugh of Kansas City, Kan., recording secretary; and Mrs. N. B. Moon of Belton, Tex., and Mrs. Abert J. Smith of Monroeville, Ala., both members at large of the WMU executive board.

Baylor Names . . .

(Continued from page 1) College, Birmingham, Ala., and was Chairman of the Speech Department at Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky.

McCall also announced the appointment of four new drama faculty members. They are:

Billie Gene Cook, 33, visiting professor in the Department of Theater Arts at Texas Christian University (TCU), Fort Worth; his wife, Patricia Watson Cook, 33, part-time instructor at TCU's theater department; Jerry B. Talley, 25, who will receive the Doctor of Philosophy degree at the University of Denver this summer and currently in charge of theater work at Belmont College in Nashville, Tenn.; and Jo Hannah of Waco, Tex., who recently completed her doctorate in drama at the University of Denver.

All appointments are effective with the beginning of the fall semester, with the exception of Lindsey, who will begin a study of the drama department on July 1.

A locket-shaped dog tag is on the market that not only gives the dog owner's name, address, and telephone number, but provides a space to insert a coin for a telephone call. The back of the dog tag says: "Use the enclosed money for telephoning. My mistress is waiting for me. Many thanks."

of a pastor of a church. The church, through two of its officers, issued a statement that said "Our people, expressing profound love for our pastor and the convention, told Dr. Bates that if the Lord led him to accept the presidency of the convention, our church would support him to the limit."

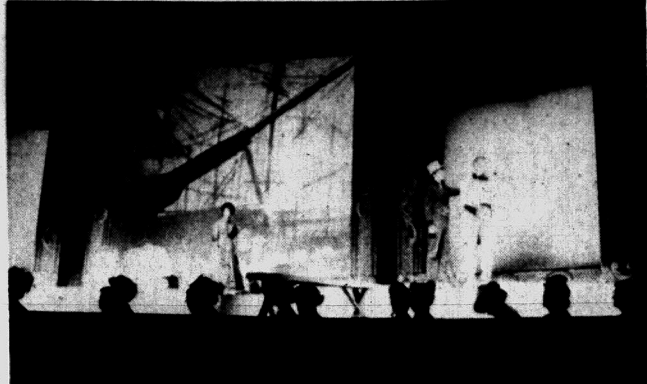
"We are convinced that the Lord's leadership alone convinced him that he should not accept."

In a statement to clarify his action Dr. Bates said:

"Prior to coming to Kansas City, friends across the convention had urged me to allow my name to be presented for the presidency of the convention. Up to the very eve of the election, I had said I would withdraw the nomination if it were made."

"When 14 men were nominated, I felt that the matter would take care of itself. After the ballots were tabulated and I was informed unofficially that I lacked only a few votes for a clear majority, necessitating a second ballot, I went through with my original decision."

"It is a great honor," Bates continued, "to know of the confidence expressed in me by the Convention but I am content in serving as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Charlotte."



LUTHER RICE and the Adoniram Judsons discuss Rice's return to America to secure Baptist mission support during historical pageant of 75th anniversary Tuesday evening of last week.



SILHOUETTE OF THE Luther Rice buggy in which he traveled the Eastern Seaboard arousing Baptist interest in missions. Other panel shows Rice in prayer.



WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION is organized in Richmond, Va., 1888.

N. O. Alumni . . .

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dent H. Leo Eddleman addressed the alumni briefly. He related some of his experiences in the Japan New Life Movement and said, "This missionary endeavor has convinced me more than ever that evangelism comprises the heart of our jobs as Christians and ministers."

Mrs. Lydia Lovan, associate professor of music at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., was presented a plaque by the alumni. Mrs. Lovan composed the music for the alma mater hymn of New Orleans Seminary.

White Will . . .

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nary and make specific charges of liberalism against specific plans at this time.

On the growth of liberalism, White said he felt the liberals had been growing in numbers and influence for the last 10 to 15 years.

White said he had heard rumors there was evidence of liberalism in other SBC seminaries besides Midwestern.

Asked what he thought of the Negro's bid for equal rights in Birmingham, Ala., he replied, "Every community must deal with the problem of integration as it relates to the individual community."

Baptist Faculty Conferences Set For Month June

NASHVILLE — Two Baptist faculty conferences for this summer, have been announced by W. Howard Bramlette, Sunday School Board Student Director who works specifically with Baptist colleges and faculty fellowships.

The Southeastern Conference will meet June 20-22 at Mars Hills College, Mars Hill, N. C. Participants will be invited from Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Missouri, and Kentucky.

The Southwestern Conference will be held June 27-29 at H. E. Butt Foundations' Leaty Lodge, Leakey, Tex. Faculty personnel in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and New Mexico will be invited.

Bramlette said that a West Coast Conference is planned for later in the year.

Theme of the conferences is "Christian Professor: Faith and Works." The purpose is to strengthen the Christian witness of Baptist faculty members in the academic community.

Works of the nature of modern art may not help us to understand the Bible, but if they can

William Fleming . . .

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Venting, professor at Baylor University in Waco, Tex.

Messages paying tribute to the prominent Baptist layman came from around the world.

The messages praised Fleming not only for giving vast sums of money to Christian causes, but for his outstanding Christian character, his concern for world missions, and his own person evangelistic leadership and personal soul-winning efforts.

It was said of Fleming that no person ever left his office without receiving an invitation to accept Christianity.

A strong supporter of Southwestern Seminary where he was a trustee, Fleming had contributed \$250,000 to the George W. Truett Memorial which helped build the seminary's Memorial Building and the Fleming Library, and another \$250,000 to endow the Seminary's Chair of Evangelism.

Fleming had been a member of the Baptist Foundation of Texas since 1932, and served several terms as president of the foundation. In 1949 and 1950 he was elected President of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Fleming had been in the oil business since 1919 and had been making substantial gifts to Southern Baptist work since 1925.

When his first oil well came in, Fleming reportedly went inside the tool shed, knelt and prayed, "Lord, don't let this make a fool out of me."

"When I actually came to believe in tithing," Fleming once told a friend, "I owed God so much money that if I only tithed, I could never catch up."

He said he started a program 34 years ago "to try to get God's money out of my bank account and into places where it could be used for the Lord."

It is not known exactly how much Fleming has given to Christian causes, but a close business associate said four years ago it amounted to a minimum of \$18-20 million.

Many of his gifts to Baptist causes were conducted through the Fleming Foundation, founded in 1937. He strongly supported Baptist colleges and provided numerous scholarships. He also has loaned millions of dollars to help establish new churches in states where Southern Baptists are not strong financially.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie; a daughter, Mrs. F. Howard Walsh of Fort Worth; a brother, Ira Fleming of White-wright; and five grandchildren — Richard, F. Howard Jr., D'Ann, Maudie, and William Lloyd Walsh of Fort Worth.

move us to a Christianlike life, or if they can help us to be morally, intellectually, and spiritually better, then they have a nobility value for us. Bill Parsons, in May BAPTIST STUDENT.



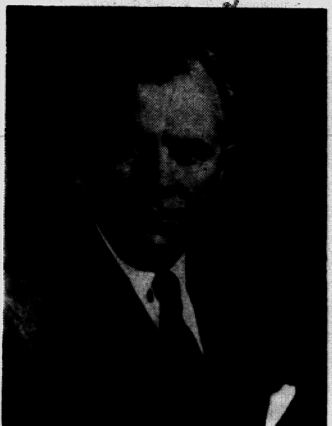
EX-PRESIDENTS WELCOME HOBBS TO CLUB—Ex-presidents of the Southern Baptist Convention present for the annual meeting in Kansas City welcomed Dr. H. H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City to their ranks. "This is a chair I gladly take," Hobbs tells Dr. Ramsey Pollard of Memphis, Dr. C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C., Dr. J. W. Storey of Nashville, and Dr. J. D. Gray of New Orleans.

Pastors' Conference Speakers Discuss 'Simple Gospel'

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7 —Some of Southern Baptists' best known preachers told their fellow ministers here that only divine intervention or all-out spiritual revival could save the world from a course of self-destruction.

Pastors and visitors jammed their way into every square foot of the 2,500-seat music hall to hear R. G. Lee of Memphis, Tenn., Vance Havner of Greensboro, N. C., W. A. Criswell of Dallas, Tex., and a dozen others expound "The Simple Gospel for Sinful Times," theme of the 1963 Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference.

For the most part, the speakers steered away from liberal-conservative tensions which dominated last year's conference in San Francisco.



Dr. Glenn L. Archer
**Archer to Speak
At Van Winkle's
25th Anniversary**

Dr. Glenn L. Archer will be guest speaker at Van Winkle Church, Jackson, Sunday, May 19, at 11 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 8 p.m., on the occasion of the church's Silver Anniversary, or the 25th anniversary of its organization.

Rev. Herman A. Milner, pastor, has encouraged the congregation to bring their offerings in silver on the Silver Anniversary. Lunch will be served at the church.

Glenn L. Archer, Executive Director of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, was born on a Kansas farm. He obtained his Bachelor's degree from Greenville College, Illinois, and pursued graduate studies at the University of Colorado and at Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas, receiving the LL.B. from the latter institution. He did graduate work in corporation law at Northwestern University and studied journalism at the University of Iowa.

Mr. Archer made his mark as a businessman, operating a thriving lumber and grain company in his home town. He was a successful teacher and county superintendent of public schools. He became well known in Washington, D. C., as an executive of the National Education Association. He successfully stood for public office as school administrator and served as secretary to the governor of Kansas.

It was from his post as dean of Washburn University Law School in Kansas that he was called to the executive directorship of POAU, a post he has filled since 1948.

The feeling was summed up by Jess Moody, pastor of First Baptist Church, Palm Beach, Fla., who called for solidarity during the Southern Baptist Convention which followed.

Speaking on the Christian home, Moody said, "We need a solidarity that will radiate to the churches and out to the homes."

He cited as evidence of need the 50 per cent of the world's divorces which occur in America and "heart-broken young frustrates who stand agast at adult incomprehension of their situation."

Some of the religious programs ought to be transferred to the home, he said. He reported 3,000 activities occurred at the church last year.

"History may record that America died, because its spiritual wellsprings dried up due to the fact the churches were fighting over the wrong issues," he said.

"The biggest issue is not all this ecclesiastical folderol," he said. "The gut issue is what will the church do to keep John, Mary, Billy and Susie Doe lashed to the cross and made into happy servants of Christ."

Must Have God

Also expressing fear that America may be about to join the long list of civilizations which have perished from the earth was Charles B. Howard of Buies Creek, N. C., a college professor and now an evangelist.

"Civilizations cannot permanently endure without God," he said. "The Gospel of Christ is more than wishful thinking. It is the realism of a great purpose to get the Lord's will done in our world, of getting our world saved from destruction and guided into abundant living."

Havner, a white-haired writer and evangelist, told the preachers, "Let the Bible stand as read."

"Man can understand the Bible only through the Holy Spirit," he said.

Havner said that unless a preacher is willing to renounce earthly pleasures, he has no business in the ministry.

He professed to a difficulty in harmonizing standards of suc-

cess in the ministry today with the Bible picture of the rough road God's prophets have traveled.

"Preachers had better get out of their minds the notion that more church members, bigger churches, more money and finer church programs are keys to winning the world to Christ," Havner said.

"God does not work that way. He can do more with a dedicated few than with an indifferent multitude."

If there could be kindled a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours, we might with just one more chance, set the world on fire."

Another speaker, Brooks Ramsey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Albany, Ga., said the greatest tragedy of 20th century Christianity has been a false dependency on what man can do rather than what God can do.

"We have felt that great preaching is the answer," he said, "but without the Spirit of God, it is a floral tribute upon the casket of a dead sermon."

K. Owen White, chief standard bearer for conservative Southern Baptists, said the average Baptist layman isn't interested in modern theological trends.

"This is no day for theological jargon," said the gray-haired pastor of First Baptist Church, Houston, Tex., who led the attack of conservative Southern Baptists upon the controversial book "Message of Genesis," at the 1962 convention meeting in San Francisco. The debate resulted in an immediate restudy of Baptist tenets of faith by a convention committee.

No Day For Doubts

"This is no day for raising questions and doubts in the hearts and minds of people concerning the reliability, integrity and authority of the Bible," White said.

T. L. McSwain, pastor of Third Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky., said, "We must be more than just promoters, statistic gatherers—we must be Spirit-filled prophets for our day and lead our people to a deeper dedication than they have ever known."

Criswell, pastor of Dallas' First Baptist Church, largest in the Southern Baptist Convention, said that every preacher goes through a crisis whether to stay with the gospel of the cross or to exchange it for the "new theology" and turn to a discussion of personal, social, and economic amelioration.

"Many of the modern preachers exchange it," he said. "The offense of a blood atonement has become too great."

Lee, pastor emeritus of Memphis' Bellevue Baptist Church, spoke on the second coming of Christ, closing out the pastor's conference as he has for years.

He described the "second coming" as "the great hope of the church, the coronation of all evangelistic hopes, the consummation of prophecy."

He said nature and grace alike proclaim a returning, glorified Messiah.

"Nature calls for him to rectify her unveiling disorders, to repair her shattered structures, to restore her oppressed energies, to verify her sublime testimony to the Creator, so long questioned and overlooked."

Wayne Dehoney, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn., was elected president, replacing W. Herschel Ford, pastor of First Baptist Church, El Paso, Tex.

Other new officers are Vice-President W. Ross Edwards, pastor of Swope Park Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo., and Secretary J. T. Ford, pastor of Wieuca Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

Religious Ed Group Calls For Better Training

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7 —Southern Baptists must have more effective training programs for all church members if the denomination is to continue to grow in the future, religious educators learned here.

The warnings were sounded by almost every speaker appearing before the Religious Education Association which met just before the 100th annual Southern Baptist Convention.

John R. Claypool, a Louisville, Ky. Baptist pastor, was the first to sound the alarm when he said the Southern Baptist Convention is losing some of its best young people to other faiths because the youths have no clear cut understanding of worship.

Other speakers included S. C. Ray, minister of education of the First Baptist Church of Greensboro, N. C.; Ernest J. Loessner of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; and John T. Sisemore of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Claypool, during the opening session, said the youth exodus is reaching alarming proportions in the denomination.

Speaking on "The Lost Chord of Worship," Claypool, pastor of Louisville's Crescent Hill Baptist Church, said he learned of the worship problem when a member of his church told him tearfully his daughter had joined the Episcopal Church.

"I found that she was a person of keen artistic sensitivity and in her words 'could no longer find meaning in the folksy, informal, irreverent approach to worship that characterized Baptist practice.'"

Not Isolated Case

"If this were an isolated case it would be one thing. But you know as well as I do that this type of exodus is reaching alarming proportions," he said.

Claypool maintained that Baptists need "to take an agonizing reappraisal of this lost chord in Baptist life—the practice of meaningful worship."

The Association, which was organized during the Southern Baptist Convention when it met in Kansas City in 1958, also elected new officers.

They are C. Winfield Rich, minister of education, Temple Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., president; Oliver Wilbanks, minister of education, Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., vice president for church educational workers; Harold Dill, professor of youth religious education, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, vice president for college and seminary teachers; Ellis N. Bush, family life education co-ordinator, Sunday School Board, Nashville, vice president for field workers; and Miss Gracie Knowlton, professor of secretarial training, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, secretary-treasurer.

Music Conference Elects Bartlett

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8 —Outstanding demonstrations of choral artistry and dedicated determination to measure the music ministry by spiritual standards were expressed in the Southern Baptist Church Music Conference sessions at Calvary Church here.

Musical climax to the conference came with the presentation of the oratorio "Eljah" in a crowded World War II Memorial Building.

Directed by Edgar L. Nolte, the concert included the Chancel Choir of Calvary Church and First Church Springfield, Mo., members of the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra, tubular scenes, and soloists Rosemary Jackson, soprano; Mary Ellen Zorbaugh, contralto; Russell Newberry, tenor; and David M. ...



PASTOR'S OFFICERS—The gavel for the president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference went to Wayne Dehoney (center) pastor of the First Church of Jackson, Tenn. Flanking him are, left, Vice President W. Ross Edwards, pastor of Swope Park Baptist Church in Kansas City, and Secretary J. T. Ford, pastor of Wieuca Road Church in Atlanta, Ga.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICERS—C. Winfield Rich, minister of education at Temple Church in Memphis (second from right) was elected president of the Religious Education Association at its meeting in Kansas City. Other officers, from left, are Oliver C. Wilbanks, Atlanta, vice president; Miss Gracie Knowlton, Fort Worth, secretary-treasurer; Ellis M. Bush, Nashville, vice president, and Harold T. Dill, Fort Worth, vice president.

prose portions of the meeting came in a panel discussion on music as an evangelistic ministry. Participants were Southwestern Seminary faculty members Kenneth L. Chafin and Edwin McNeely (retired) and Clifton A. Baker of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

Among musical groups on the program were First Baptist Chorale of Tulsa; Sagamore Hill Church Youth Choir, Ft. Worth; the Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma; William Jewell College a capella choir; the carol choir of First Baptist Church, Griffin, Ga.; the Music Men of Arkansas; the a capella choir of Carson-Newman College (Tenn.); Blison Glee Club of Oklahoma Baptist University; the Georgia Ministers of Music; and the a capella choir and wind ensemble of Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Ark.

New officers of the organization are Eugene M. Bartlett, Jr., state music secretary for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, president, and Kenneth Osbrink, minister of music, Central Baptist Church, Miami, Fla., secretary.

Business actions included a decision to invite student groups from Baptist Colleges, universities, and seminaries to organize into chapters for affiliation with the Southern Baptist Music Conference. Possibility of affiliation for state chapters was also discussed.



MINISTER'S WIVES HONOR MRS. J. M. DAWSON—Newly elected officers of the Ministers' Wives Conference, which met in Kansas City, discuss the award the conference presented posthumously to Mrs. J. M. Dawson. The award is given to a distinguished wife of a Southern Baptist minister. Receiving the honor for her mother was Mrs. Dave Cheavens of Waco, Tex. (seated). Standing are Mrs. W. C. Link, Jr. of Liberty, Mo. president of the conference, and Mrs. A. Maurice Norton of San Francisco, corresponding secretary.

Ministers Wives In Annual Meet

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7 —Southern Baptist ministers' wives elected Mrs. W. C. Link, Jr., of Liberty, Mo., as their new president here Tuesday. She succeeds Mrs. Dick Houston Hall, Jr. of Decatur, Ga. Mrs. E. S. Garland of Baltimore, Md., succeeding Mrs. Theron Price of Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Ira Hudgins of Franklin, Va., was named secretary and treasurer. She is successor to Mrs. Avery Lee of New Orleans.

Corresponding secretary is Mrs. A. Maurice Norton of San Francisco, succeeding Mrs. Bob Simmons of Jackson, Miss.

The group, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, met prior to the 100th annual Southern Baptist Convention here.



MUSIC PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY—C. Winfield Rich, minister of education at Temple Church in Memphis, new president of the Southern Baptist Church Music Conference, and Mrs. A. Maurice Norton, corresponding secretary, are shown with other officers of the organization.



INTERNATIONAL FASHIONS DISPLAYED—Missionaries attending the annual representative clothing worn to nations where they serve. From left are L. O. Smith, Nigeria; Jerry Smith, South Africa; and Charles W. Whitton, a Missions in India.

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generally believed among Baptists: (There was some disagreement concerning the phrase in the Statement concerning the church as the "body" of Christ, but this was not a matter of conservatism or liberalism. We shall discuss it later.)

Conservatism Revealed

The messengers also revealed their stand against modernism being taught in the seminaries. They burst into applause as the section of the Statement of Faith dealing with Christian Education was read. This section included the statement, "The freedom of a teacher in a Christian school, college or seminary is limited by the pre-eminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists."

Progress Reports Requested

On the other hand, the convention refused to ask the Executive Committee or other special committee to check on charges that there is still heretical teaching in some of the institutions. Such charges and questions were referred to the boards of trustees. The convention did request those trustees of institutions and agencies to give, in 1964, a progress report on how they are carrying out the instructions of the 1962 convention. Those instructions were that the trustees of agencies and institutions were courteously requested "to take such steps as shall be necessary to remedy at once those situations where such views now threaten our historic position." (views which would "undermine . . . faith in the historical accuracy and doctrinal integrity of the Bible")

The convention accepted and approved a report from the board of trustees of Midwestern Seminary concerning the progress they had made in dealing with these issues in that institution.

Conservative President

The convention elected as president, Dr. K. O. White, pastor of First Church, Houston, Texas, who is a strong conservative. He was the man who made the well known conservative motion at the San Francisco Convention. In a press conference after his election, Dr. White made it clear that he has not in any way changed his conservative stand, and that he will continue to use his influence to eliminate liberalism in Southern Baptist institutions. At the same time he admitted that there is room among Southern Baptists for men of differing views.

The election of Dr. White can hardly be interpreted as a mandate for a crusade for conservatism or against liberalism, since his margin of victory was not large. However, conservatism or liberalism was not the issue in the run-off election, since Dr. W. O. Vaught of Little Rock could not be classified as a theological liberal. He is rather, a well known and popular pastor and leader among us. Nevertheless, the conservative position of the convention was emphasized by the choice of an outspoken conservative as president.

Evangelism and Missions

The convention continued to give major emphasis to evangelism and missions, and reaffirmed its strong and full support of the Cooperative Program as its basic plan of denominational finance. We could have wished that even larger, more aggressive plans had been set for promotion of the Cooperative Program, but perhaps that will come soon.

The mission agencies reported the largest number of active missionaries, both in America and in foreign lands, that the convention has ever supported in its history, and plans were approved for continued advance.

While baptism reports for the past year were not quite as large as in the previous year, great increases are anticipated for 1964 because of the evangelistic emphasis in the final year of Baptist Jubilee Advance. Reports of the "New Life Movement" promoted by Southern Baptists in Japan and other East Asia countries, thrilled the convention, and the new president was among those who called for such an all out evangelistic effort here in America. Even though one speaker seemed to feel that evangelism, as Baptists have known it in the past, is dead, we think that few messengers agreed with him. At least, Southern Baptists are going right ahead with their plans to make 1964 the greatest year of evangelism in their history.

The convention adopted one of the largest budgets of its history, and set plans for a five-year program of enlistment and church development, to follow immediately after Baptist Jubilee Advance ends in 1964.

Ecumenicalism

There was not a single effort to bring about any type of ecumenical relationship with any other group, nor was there any move toward any type of union with any other Baptist body. Southern Baptists are not in the modern stream of ecumenicalism, nor is any internal effort being made to bring them in to it. As far as we know, the subject was not mentioned in any report or message.

The convention does continue its support and fellowship in the Baptist World Alliance, which means no more than a cooperative fellowship with the millions of Baptists in other areas of America and the world.

Church and State

The convention made clear its continued dedication to the principles of absolute separation of church and state. Messages were sent by the convention to all members of Congress and to all elected officials of the United States, expressing opposition to federal aid for church-related schools, whether elementary, secondary or institutions of higher learning.

Freedom of Discussion

One of the things which makes the Southern Baptist convention a great deliberative body is that messengers have a right to speak. Sometimes this creates parliamentary snarls, and at times the convention tires of what it judges to be petty discussion and cuts it off, but in the long run speakers who have something to say are allowed to speak and varied points of view are freely presented. Sometimes this latter fact gives unfavorable news publicity, when one person is quoted as if he represented the entire group, when the convention may actually have rejected what he said, or have taken no action concerning it.

Baptists believe in free discussion. Presiding officers try to allow any registered messenger to speak, if he does so under proper parliamentary procedure. Someone said long ago, "When you allow Baptists to talk they will talk themselves together." If, however, you try to shut them off and not allow free speech, trouble results. Southern Baptists sometimes do much talking and debating in their sessions, but, as a rule, leave their meetings pretty well united.

High Hours

There were several high spiritual hours in the convention, and it was interesting to us that former Mississippians played an important part in a number of them. The opening night was a great session. The historical pageant depicting some of the history of the founding of Woman's Missionary Union was a thrilling presentation.

It was written by Ted Perry, a Mississippian who now lives in the Radio and Television Commission. The convention sermon, also on the opening night, was preached by Dr. Carl Bates, native Mississippian, who

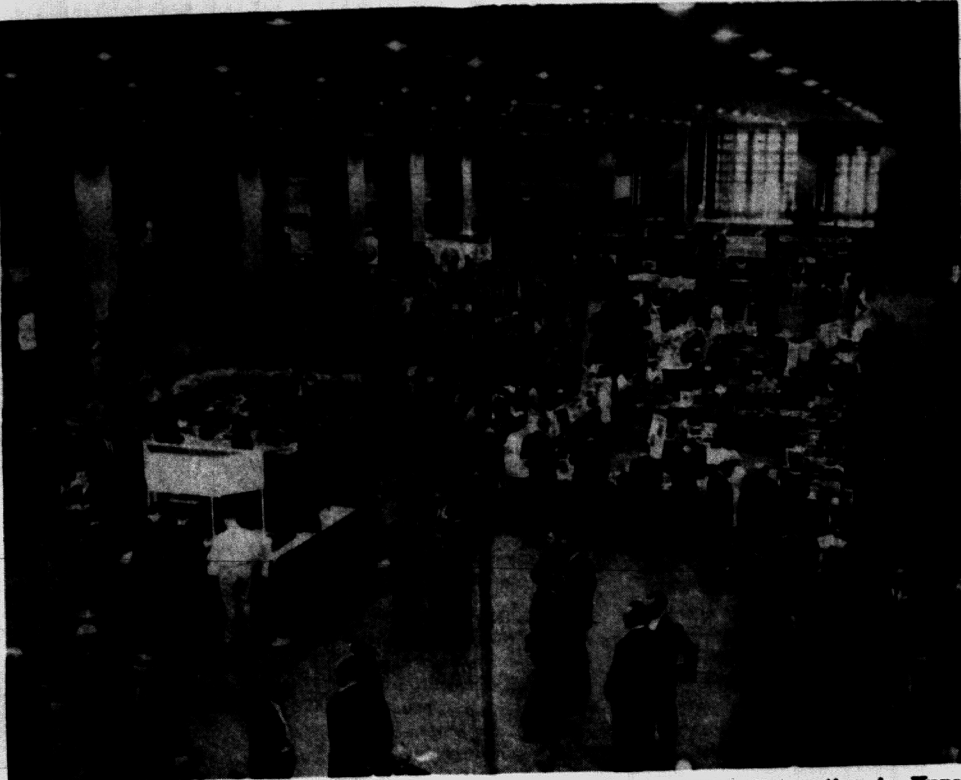


EXHIBIT AREA—The mammoth exhibit area at the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City was a busy place, particularly between sessions. A section of area is shown.

Baptist Forum

A Valuable Book Now Available

Dear Dr. Odle: The most glorious pages of Church History are those that relate the movement of God's Spirit upon the hearts of men and in the churches. It reminds us that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and to day and for ever." It sounds the bugle call to a new awakening, a new dedication to prayer and renewed faith to call upon Him for great and mighty things in our day.

When the great Shantung Revival took place among Southern Baptist mission stations in China during the years of 1929-31, many of the missionaries wrote exactly that took place on their fields of service. They gave glowing reports of the salvation of souls, the intensification and multiplication of prayer groups, the vigils with God and the soul-blessings that came to them. God's blessings as in New Testament times came to missionaries and Chinese alike. The divine, healing touch of God was felt. Workers were empowered and served in the power of the Spirit. Evangelism became spontaneous, voluntary, free and joyful. Worship and praise were natural and marvellous. New life flowed from the churches, bringing an abundant harvest. Love was shed abroad in the heart of radiant believers with no wall between nationalities.

Every True Christian desires such a Revival in our day. The HOW and WHEREFOREs will be obtained from reading THE SHANTUNG REVIVAL, Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby, Canton.

Ohio Church Needs Hymnals

Dear Dr. Odle: While living in Mississippi, the phrase "white, unto harvest" held little real significance for me. But during my two years here in Cleveland, Ohio, this phrase has turned into a living reality. Outside of the Bible Belt, one finds the majority of people seeking the true Peace and Hope found only through Christ. The Southern Baptist work here is small and weak, but it holds tremendous promise.

My home is in Summit, Mississippi, where I received most of my Christian training. Two years ago I graduated from Ole Miss, and am now doing graduate study here. I am working with the Lakeside Southern Baptist Church in Cleveland.

Lakeside Baptist is perhaps the most fortunate Baptist Church in the association. Though only four years old, we were able to purchase a small, nice building, which even contained a pipe organ. The pastor is a graduate of New Orleans Seminary, and Sunday School attendance averages one hundred. We are located in the University Circle area close to several colleges, and the Heights, or Cleveland's professional area, is not far. Lakeside has much potential for growth. Since the R.A.'s and G.A.'s were organized last month, we have a full program for all groups.

My special interest and concern is the music program. We have a graded choir program. The Adult Choir sings regularly on Sunday morning, and the Junior Choir sings regularly for the evening service. We have several needs though, with which we need help. To say our budget is limited is a gross understatement.

When Lakeside Baptist was first organized as a mission, a small number of Broadman Hymnals were purchased. Today with our growing congregation, we do not have nearly enough hymnals to go around. I have talked with pastors and music directors from other churches in the area, and learned that they also have this problem. Many Mississippi churches, as has First Baptist, Summit, have converted to the Baptist Hymnals. Perhaps each of these churches could spare a few of their old Broadman Hymnals. If sent to me at Lakeside I could distribute these hymnals where they would be very much appreciated and used.

Another need at Lakeside is robes for the Adult Choir. Robes add much to the beauty and attractiveness of the service. There are eighteen regular members in the Adult Choir, which has been organized and rehearsed for almost two years. Perhaps some church has purchased new robes and is merely storing their old ones. As with the hymnals, any help concerning robes would be appreciated. The challenge is very great here in Cleveland, and I am praying that the music program can help to meet that challenge.

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Pages From The Past

By J. L. Boyd

60 Years Ago

Pastor H. G. Rosamond reports that his church at Winona on last Sunday "ordered" him to go to the Southern Baptist Convention, convening that year at Savannah, Georgia.

50 Years Ago

The meeting house of the Rienzi Baptist Church was completely destroyed by a cyclone — only one table and one chair being saved.

40 Years Ago

Pastor W. S. Landrum of the Mendonhall Baptist Church reports that the Church had secured a lot for a new house of worship on a location between the old and new town to cost \$12,000. They had in hand already the money in cash and notes.

The Forest Church closed a successful revival meeting with Dr. C. C. Carroll of Baptist Bible Institute (New Orleans Theological Seminary) doing the preaching, which resulted in seventeen additions. Pastor J. C. Richardson, reporting.

25 Years Ago

Miss Fannie Traylor tells of the death of Mrs. Maud R. McLure "At the close of a remarkably beautiful and fruitful life" as head of the W. M. U. Training School, Louisville, Kentucky.

BAPTIST BELIEFS

By Herschel H. Hobbs
Pastor, First Baptist Church
Oklahoma City, Okla.

The Interpretation of Tongues

One's position with respect to "tongues" will color his understanding of the interpretation of tongues. The writer holds that "tongues" was a gift of the Holy Spirit whereby one was able to speak a language other than his own, without previous study of that language (see last week). Therefore, "interpretation" would be simply the ability to interpret that language to those who did not understand it.

"Interpretation" renders a Greek word *hermeneia* which appears twice in the New Testament (I Cor. 12:10; 14:20). The verb form, *hermeneo*, is used four times (John 1:38, 42:9-7; Heb. 7:2). In each instance it speaks of rendering a word out of one language into another. Thayer gives the verb meaning as "to explain in words, expound . . . to translate what has been spoken or written in a foreign tongue into the vernacular." The root of this family of words is *Hermes*, a proper name for the Greek god of speech, writing, eloquence, and learning. In Acts 14:2 (KJV) it is rendered "Mercurius," the Roman name of this god. It appears

in Romans 16:14 as the name of a Christian.

In addition, the intensive form of this verb, *hermeneomai* (the word prefixed by the preposition *dia*, through) appears six times (Luke 24:27, expound; Acts 9:36; I Cor. 12:30; 14:5, 13, 27). It carries the idea of a thorough interpretation or explanation. The noun form appears once (I Cor. 14:28).

Now when we apply these thoughts to our problem what do we find? The gift of "tongues" or languages was given to certain ones in order that those of that language might hear the gospel. Since in any group there might be those who did not understand the language in question, an interpreter was needed (I Cor. 12:10). As the gift of speaking in other languages was a gift of the Holy Spirit, so the ability to interpret that language into others was a similar gift (12:30). With some this gift, as others, became a vain display rather than a practical function (14:20). Thus it was a source of trouble in the Corinthian fellowship.

So Paul gives careful instructions as to the use of these gifts. Without an interpreter "tongues" are meaningless in edifying the church (14:5).

Therefore, when one speaks in "tongues" he should pray that one would interpret thoroughly what is said (14:13). The literal meaning of this phrase, "that he (one) may interpret," is that speaking is with the design that one shall interpret (Thayer). If not, when one prays in a tongue, those present who do not understand will not even know when to say "amen" (14:16). When spoken in orderly fashion "tongues" would be an evidence to unbelievers present that God was in the phenomenon. But if no one interpreted to those who did not comprehend the language, those speaking would seem to them to be "mad" or insane (14:23-25). Hence the need for someone to interpret or expound thoroughly that which was spoken (14:27). Without an interpreter they are forbidden to speak in "tongues" (14:28).

The gifts of "tongues" and "interpretation" were temporary (I Cor. 13:8-13). Today these abilities come through ardent study. Not everyone who can speak a foreign language can interpret it into another language. So in a sense "interpretation" is still a "gift."

Calendar of Prayer

May 20 — Lawrence C. Smith, Jr., Mississippi College faculty; Ernest N. Waller, Lafayette associational Brotherhood president.

May 21 — Ben Goddard, Greene associational Training Union director; Mrs. E. M. Kee, Jr., Mississippi Associational WMU president.

May 22 — Harold St Gemme, Baptist Student Director, Jackson; Lillian Weidenhamer, faculty, William Carey College.

May 23 — Carolyn Mounce, staff, Blue Mountain College; Paul Nunnery, superintendent, Baptist Children's Village.

May 24 — Zadeen Walton, Baptist Building; Ralph Winders, Baptist Building.

May 25 — Prentiss G. Cox, faculty, Clarke College; John B. McBride, Bolivar associational superintendent of missions.

May 26 — Grady Stringer, Lamar associational Brotherhood president; Jerry Estes, Wayne associational Training Union director.

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Progressive Reports Are Made To Kansas City Convention

Boards

Foreign Mission Board

A 15-year advance program by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has resulted in a net gain of more than 1000 missionaries. Progress was reported to the 1963 Convention by Baker J. Cauthen, Richmond, executive secretary of the agency. The number of missionaries under appointment at the close of 1962 was 1627. "During these 15 years of advance, work has been extended into twenty-two additional countries, giving a total of fifty-two countries in which work is maintained," Cauthen added. Still, "the operating budget for current expenses... must be increased more than \$1,000,000 each year in order for advance to continue," he said.

The New Life Crusade in Japan and other countries of the Orient help make 1963 "a year of great emphasis upon evangelism in many parts of the world."

Work of the board is divided into three geographical areas—the Orient, Latin America; and Europe, Africa and the Near East.

"The Latin American missions have submitted requests for 190 missionaries to be appointed during 1963. These include agricultural missionaries, an architect, a business manager, three couples for English-speaking work (not including the English-speaking areas of the Caribbean), sixty couples for field evangelism, one couple for literature promotion, one couple for radio-television, six couples for religious education, two couples for schoolwork, seven couples for seminaries and institutes, a dietitian, four doctors, three Good Will Center workers, nine nurses, four single women for schoolwork, and four young ladies to work in treasurer's offices," Means answered.

J. Winston Crawley, of Richmond, reported for the Orient. He said "the outstanding event of the year (1962) was our location of a missionary couple in India."

H. Cornell Goerner of Richmond is area secretary for Africa, Europe and the Near East. He said there was a net gain of 28 missionaries in 1962, bringing the total for his area to 508.

One new African field was entered during the year 1962: Uganda.

Another couple was at work in Germany to assist English-language churches in that country.

The English-language churches on the continent of Europe continue to show vigorous growth.

In an historic meeting attended by all Baptist pastors of Italy in June, 1962, a decision was announced to make the Italian Baptist Union an entirely autonomous body, effective January 1, 1963.

Home Mission Board

The Home Mission Board, Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary, has the responsibility of developing and conducting a national mission strategy for the denomination. This year's report for the first time detailed the cooperative agreements with state Baptist mission forces.

The Home Mission Board work includes seven programs: associational and pioneer missions, city missions, language groups, work with National Baptists, evangelism, chaplaincy, and church loans.

Mississippi is an example of work where Southern Baptists are numerous and churches are strong. Here the Home Mission Board assists with 40 per cent, or \$52,537, for special projects in associational missions, juvenile rehabilitation, language groups, and work with National Baptists.

Baptist work in Cuba has suffered an increased harassment, Redford reported. "Those who would interfere with the programs of the mission work are given a free hand to disturb and molest."

The Home Mission Board has sponsored work in Cuba for more than 50 years, and there are now 145 churches and missions. "All of these continue to function," the report noted, "as do the Baptist seminary and encampment."

Southern Baptists, led by the board, resettled 600 Cuban refugees last year, as well as assisting with relief of those in Miami.

A statistical summary of the work of the board shows 2,076 missionaries and 885 student summer workers. These reports are being prepared for the 1963 Convention in Kansas City.

members to churches as a result of their work. They also assisted in starting 858 missions and 248 churches last year.

Sunday School Board

For the first time in its 72-year history, the report of the Sunday School Board to the Southern Baptist Convention will cover less than a one-year period. Because of a change in its fiscal year, the 1962 Sunday School Board report will be for the nine months for January through September. Financially, the board reported a decrease in expected receipts, but an increase over 1961 figures. James L. Sullivan, Nashville, executive secretary - treasurer, stated, "While we have grown in size and volume, our costs of manufacturing and distributing have constantly climbed higher and higher. Thus the net earnings, especially capital and reserve funds, are not as adequate as planned." Net earnings were \$4,872,322. Of this figure, \$2,633,859 went to the departmental education and service programs through which the board serves Southern Baptist churches; \$636,527 went directly to the program of cooperation with state boards according to a regular distribution plan. Another \$247,592 was designated for the program of Southern Baptist Convention support, with \$450,000 for the New Southern Baptist Convention Building in Nashville; \$41,438 was used in the program of special ministries (such as support of the 30,000 Movement); \$362,806 went into capital reserve funds for operating, contingency and special purpose reserves. Most of the figures were increases over the same period in 1961, but less than had been budgeted for 1962.

The year 1962 was a record breaking year for the Annuity Board, the Southern Baptist Convention agency that administers the retirement plans.

Wallace Bassett, Dallas, president of the Board, recalled the board started its ministry with only \$100,000, a gift of the SBC Sunday School Board. The initial investment was much less than the multi-million dollar endowment the actuary had recommended. "By contrast," said Bassett, "1962 closed with the board holding funds in trust for more than 25,000 ministers, church and denominational employees in excess of \$105 million, about \$12 million more than 1961."

Concerning 1962 records, he said more than \$3,091,000 was paid in benefits to some 5,792 age, disability and widow annuitants.

Education Commission

Two new Baptist colleges, and the moving of another to a metropolitan center, will change the college picture for Southern Baptists this fall, according to Rabun L. Brantley, Nashville, executive secretary of the Convention's Education Commission. In his annual report to the Convention, he noted Kentucky Southern College began on the campus of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, in the fall of 1962; Mobile College and Houston Baptist College open in the fall of 1963; and Decatur College will move to Dallas in the near future.

80,987 students are now enrolled in Baptist colleges.

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Radio and Television

A net gain of 244 radio stations carrying Southern Baptist programs in 1962 gave the Convention's Radio and Television Commission its greatest annual increase and the highest station total in its history.

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For boys, there's the Third National Royal Ambassador Congress Aug. 13-15 at Washington, D. C. The event for boys 12-16 will be used to whet Royal Ambassadors' concern for missions, Schroeder said.

The Brotherhood leader said he hopes to recruit 1,500 laymen from throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in 1964 to help expand Southern Baptist work in California, Oregon and Washington.

Total Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador enrollment in 1962 was 628,063, a decrease of 24 from the year before, Schroeder said.

Chaplain's Commission

Seven hundred and thirty-eight Southern Baptist ministers are serving as chaplains in the military, hospitals, industry and institutions in the United States. There are 687 others in the reserves of the armed services and with the Civil Air Patrol. These figures were reported to the 1963 Southern Baptist Convention session by George W. Cummins, Atlanta, director of the Chaplain's Commission. The Commission, which was established by the Convention in 1941 as its official endorsing agency for chaplains, operates as a division of the SBC Home Mission Board.

Historical Commission

The forthcoming book, "Baptist Advance," now draws the



FOREIGN MISSION APPOINTEES AT SBC—Foreign mission appointees presented at the Southern Baptist Convention were, first row, left to right, Dr. and Mrs. Richard C. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Leslie Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley D. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Brown, Sr.; second row, Vernon E. Sydow, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Arville E. Senter, Mr. and Mrs. H.

Commission during the past year. To be published in 1964 this book will deal with Baptist life on the North American continent. It will come out in timing with observance of Baptist Jubilee Year, with 1964 marking the 150th anniversary of Baptist life organized on a national scale in North America. Davis C. Woolley of Nashville, the commission's executive secretary, also said the agency continues to research information for the SBC Organization Manual.

A Dallas artist—Erwin M. Herne Jr.—will portray in oil paintings "Great Moments in Baptist History," it was announced. "Eight of these paintings have been commissioned by the Sunday School Board and will be used on the covers of periodicals and publications in 1964. Assistance is being given the artist to assure historical accuracy," Woolley said.

Production of a quarter-hour news program was begun for the Mississippi Baptist Convention, with weekly distribution to 15 of the state's radio stations.

Christian Life Commission

"It is increasingly evident that the moral thrust of the Southern Baptist Convention has not kept pace with its numerical growth," declared Foy Valentine to the 1963 Southern Baptist Convention.

Valentine, Nashville, executive secretary-treasurer of the Convention's Christian Life Commission, stated in his annual report this 'moral lag' had resulted in a weakened nation and a compromised witness.

In response to this situation, Valentine reported an acceleration of the commission's program of Christian morality development.

Valentine pointed up the commission's initiative for Southern Baptists in the field of anti-communism.

Valentine stressed the relevance of the gospel of Jesus Christ in every area and relationship of life.

Stewardship Commission

The Cooperative Program is the financial plan through which state Baptist conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention carry on their missions, Christian education and welfare-type work. Executive Director Merrill D. Moore of Nashville said the Stewardship Commission has programs of Cooperative Program promotion, stewardship development, and promotion of endowment and capital gifts.

To promote the Cooperative Program, "a thirty-minute film, 'Heartbeat,' was set for production in 1963," according to Moore.

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CONVENTION SERMON—Dr. Carl E. Watts, native of Mississippi, but now pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C., delivered a Sunday night of last week's Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City.

Robert Tucker, Jr., Miss Marilois Kirksey, Miss Marylee Moore, and Mrs. John C. Calhoun, Jr., third row, Dr. Ruth Dickerson, Miss Katharine Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Routh, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. C. Ray Rogers, and Miss Margaret Fairburn.

Seminaries

Southern Seminary

Increasing social work ministries performed by churches and the denomination and a revival of laymen interest in theological studies were given as reasons for new programs at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary by the institution's president, Duke K. McCall.

The new academic schedule is the result of the seminary's merger with neighboring Carver School of Missions and Social Work and also the increasing requests from denominational agencies and churches for trained social workers.

The seminary has 52 faculty members with 16-to-one student-faculty ratio. Of the 824 students enrolled, 66 are in advanced degree programs.

Carver School

Carver School of Missions and Social Work, in which was expected to be its final report to the Southern Baptist Convention, told of its three-year aim in recent months. President Nathan C. Brooks Jr. of Louisville named them: 1. "To effect the proposed merger with Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (also in Louisville) in a way that will enable that institution to pursue the Carver School purposes with faithfulness; 2. "To assist Carver School faculty and staff members in discovering the Lord's will for their lives for the future, and 3. "To provide an excellent quality of education for those students who will finish their studies at Carver School this year."

Southwestern Seminary

President Robert E. Naylor declared "apparently the decline in seminary enrollment for the past three years has been arrested at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth. New students during the year numbered 677, an increase of 102 over the previous year."

Construction is expected to begin in June on the new student activities building. "The Children's Building for day nursery and kindergarten operation will be the next immediate project."

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Stealey announced his retirement on July 31 of this year and introduced to the Convention Dean, O. T. Binkley, his successor, in whom he expressed "highest confidence and approval."

Golden Gate Seminary

An optimistic overtone was maintained on the campus as Golden Gate Seminary, situated on the Strawberry Point peninsula overlooking San Francisco Bay, finished its fourth year on the present site.

A slight decline in cumulative enrollment for the 1962-1963 term from the previous year was overshadowed by a 7 per cent increase in enrollment for the Spring session.

President Harold K. Graves of Mill Valley, Calif., pointed out that the upturn was a good indication for the coming year. Growth has been in every detail, according to Graves.

New Orleans Seminary

A library expansion program, proposed construction of a school of theology building and a stability in enrollments were highlights of the report of New Orleans.

A major expansion of library facilities is underway, President H. Leo Eddleman said. The plan is to double the physical facility and the number of volumes.

According to the report, a school of theology building is needed to provide space for faculty offices, classrooms and a separate meeting place for the graduate council.

Even though New Orleans Seminary has recently renewed strict requirements in study of Greek and Hebrew, enrollment has shown a marked stability during a nationwide drop in seminary enrollments in all denominations, Eddleman added.

Seminary Extension

The Extension Department of Southern Baptist Seminaries reported it will move around June to the new Southern Baptist Convention Building in Nashville. Offices are presently in Jackson, Miss.

The extension report was given by Director Ralph A. Herring of Jackson.

American Seminary

A report from the American Baptist Theological Seminary indicates Southern Baptists are continuing to participate in an effective way in the educating of Negro Baptist ministers. The seminary in Nashville is a joint operation of Southern Baptists and the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc. (Negro), a Baptist leader reported.

Enrollment of the seminary remains about the same it has been for several years, but the extension work is growing with 564 currently enrolled. The campus students number about 70.

Foundation

The Southern Baptist Foundation reported to the 1963 Southern Baptist Convention it has a trust fund balance of \$6,224,460, more than eight times the size of its balance 10 years ago. J. W. Storer of Nashville, executive secretary, said the average rate of return on investments in the General Fund during 1962 was 5.16 per cent. A decade ago, it was only 4.44 per cent.

Hospitals

Heavy patient use, construction under way, personnel shortages and financial concerns have made "the year just ended... a strenuous and demanding one for Southern Baptist Hospitals." So stated Executive Secretary T. Cloane Guy

Jr. of New Orleans in giving his report to the 1963 Convention, of which the hospitals are an agency. A slightly longer average stay in the hospital per patient was noticed at Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, one of the two hospitals operated by the agency.

At Jacksonville, Fla. hospital, 15,771 patients were admitted to the hospital in 1962; 2445 babies were born. At New Orleans hospital, 20,182 patients came in; there were 4335 births.

Committees

Jubilee Advance

The Baptist Jubilee Advance Committee recommended to the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City, Mo., that the denomination's 32,500 churches have watchnight prayer services Dec. 31, 1963. At these services, ringing in the New Year, Southern Baptist would pray for activities in 1964, the 150th anniversary of organized Baptist work on a national scale in North America. It also marks a milestone in the development of Baptist missions supported from America.

A report on the 30,000 Movement was contained in the report of the Jubilee Advance Committee, of whom C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C., is chairman. Warren also directs the 30,000 Movement, the effort to form 30,000 new Southern Baptist churches or missions between 1956 and 1964. Warren said as of Jan. 1, 1963 the number established was 19,117. Of this, 5328 were churches. Included are 4500 churches and missions on mission fields abroad served by Southern Baptists.

Canadian Committee

Southern Baptists should encourage Canadians to start new churches and to develop the Baptist churches already in Canada. This, in effect, is the advice given Southern Baptists by their standing Committee on Canadian Baptist Cooperation. Chairman Courts Redford of Atlanta, executive secretary of the SBC Home Mission Board, presented the committee report.

Public Affairs

"On the national scene the year 1962 must go down as a year of exceptional tension and challenge in church-state relations," C. Emanuel Carlson of Washington declared in a report to the 1963 Southern Baptist Convention. Prayer in the public schools, federal aid to higher education and American tax funds for use by church agencies in foreign aid programs—these three headline issues demonstrate the tension, according to Carlson. He is executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. This Washington agency serves the Southern Baptist Convention and six other Baptist Bodies in the United States and Canada. Concerning the three issues faced in 1962, Carlson said his agency "was active in representing Baptist viewpoints to government, in reporting developments to its co-operating conventions, and in interpreting Baptist insights to many groups in the nation."

State Papers

Baptist state papers passed the 1 1/2 million circulation mark during 1962.

The combined circulation of the 28 papers, from coast to coast and including Alaska and Hawaii, increased by 17,909 during the year, the 1963 session of the Southern Baptist Convention learned. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, chairman of the Committee on Baptist State Papers, said that having passed the 1 1/2 million mark, the papers now are shooting at 1 3/4 million. This mark they hope to reach in May, 1964. It will be their part of the Baptist Jubilee Year celebration.

Related Groups

American Bible Society

The regular, annual work of the American Bible Society has been expanded into 40 additional countries in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean area.

This brings to 107 the number in which the society provides regular, annual support of Bible work. The additional work will be done in 35 African countries, six in Asia and nine in the Caribbean area.

Women's Missionary Union

Prayer, enlistment and fund-raising are the major thrusts of the Women's Missionary Union (Continued on Page 6)

HOWARD PLANS KINDERGARTEN WORKSHOP

Howard College's Division of Teacher Education will sponsor a workshop in Kindergarten Education July 22-24.

Designed to instruct in basic principles, materials and methods, and administration of kindergarten education, the program will be offered in two levels—one for students enrolled for the first time, another for those who have attended before.

The course may be taken for one semester hour's credit or for certificate credit. Those who desire college credit must be regularly admitted to the college. Credit may be used to renew teaching certificates.

Interested persons who do not qualify for regular college credit may enroll for certificate credit.

The special 5-day workshop will place special emphasis to programs in church related kindergartens. Classes will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

Instructors for the workshop will be specialists in childhood and teacher education. Tuition and fees for the course will be \$25 whether taken for college credit or certificate credit. Students may secure housing in college dormitories for \$6.00 for four nights. The student must provide linens, towels, and pillows. Meals may be taken in the college cafeteria.

Inquiries about the workshop may be mailed to Dr. William D. Murray, Chairman, Division of Teacher Education, Howard College, Birmingham 9, Alabama.

Tennessee Church Calls Yarbrough

Rev. Jimmy Yarbrough, who was instrumental in the organization of McDowell Road Church, Jackson, and who led the church in building a beautiful sanctuary and adequate educational space, has accepted a pastorate in Nashville, Tennessee.

He moved to Nashville May 1, to be pastor of Mt. View Church.

Rev. Barney Walker, Sr. is serving as interim pastor at McDowell Road Church.

DEVOTIONAL— Created For Good Works

By Rev. Al Finch
Pastor, Calvary, Yazo City

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

Life is evaluated in terms of hard work. No responsible person can evade his responsibility. The "truth has made us free" but we are not free from obligation. When we talk about redemption we often make the mistake of asking what we are redeemed from rather than what we are redeemed for. To be sure, redemption frees us from the tyranny of sin, which is in reality ourselves. This liberation comes by accepting the Lordship of Christ. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "... ye are not your own. For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." Christian freedom is found in the "Divine imperative" to break from "the prison of self love ... and to enter creatively into the lives of others."

It is at this point in life man becomes aware of the "call" of God to the Christian task. In our enthusiasm for Ephesians 2:8-9, "for by grace through faith are ye saved." We sometimes overlook verse 10, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works..." The regenerate man is free from self, but is bound to God and man in a new way. Martin Luther suggested: "A Christian man is the most dutiful servant of all and subject to everyone through love." Jesus equated service to God and service to man (Matt. 23:40). Thus, the created worker is freed from himself that he may be free for others. Uniquely God's call is universal. Divine impulse comes to every child of God. The preacher and laymen's call may differ in extent and degree but not in basic responsibility. This is one thing the doctrine of the "priesthood of the believers" has been trying to teach us. It is a crippling catastrophe that in our age of specialization the task of evangelism is being relegated to a limited minority.

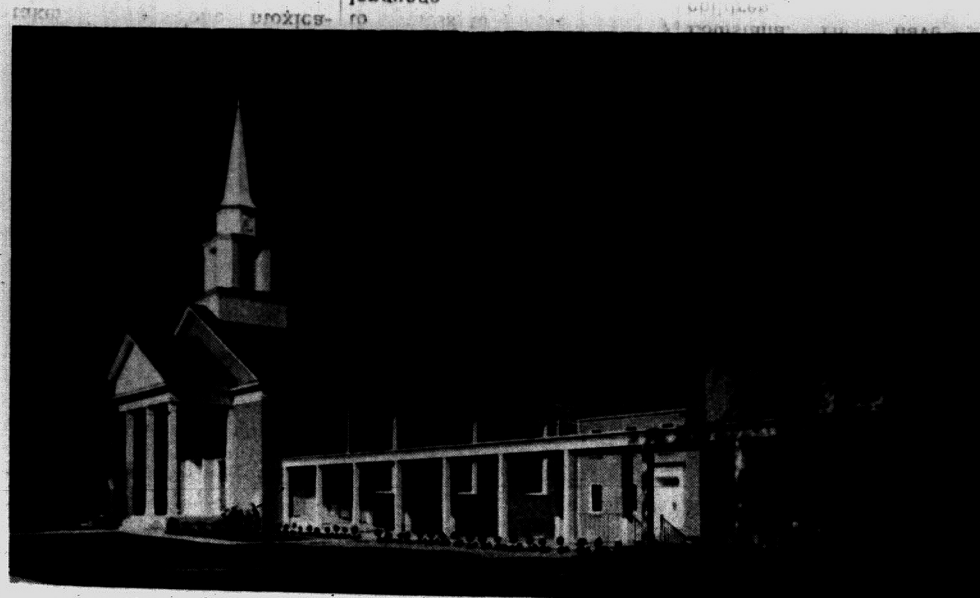
When Christian service is understood, we realize that the greater emphasis is on character rather than activity. Layman Howard Butts, Jr. says, "Christian witnessing is not something we do; it is something we are." A life filled with God is a continuous overflow of experience with him. Such overflow is the real Christian witness. Training, techniques, and personality are assets but accomplishment can only be given by Christ, it is a matter of relationship.

Where then is the witness to be borne? The ultimate of Christian witness is not the pulpit or Sunday school lecture; these are means of preparing us for the battlefield. The real need is away from the church in the everyday walks of life. We are to go to our jobs and society and preach Christ, the church trains and equips us for the front lines. Church attendance or worship is not an end in itself but a means to the end. We are the "light of the world"; we do not go to the church to let our light shine but to "trim the wick." Our good work is to allow our overflow of experience with God to affect our world.

A "William Wallace Week"

has been established by the Student Executive Committee of the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. It honors the memory of the Southern Baptist medical missionary who died in a Chinese Communist prison after World War II. Dr. Wallace was accused of heading a spy ring.

The capsule that carried John Glenn, Jr., into orbit has been on display in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C., next to the Wright brothers' plane and the craft that Lindbergh flew across the ocean. Glenn took part in the ceremonies opening the exhibit. The capsule and the paraphernalia used on the flight will be on display permanently at the national museum.



First Church, Magnolia, To Enter New Building

On May 19, members of First Church, Magnolia will have the first service in their new church building. Construction began April 28, 1962, and during these twelve months the congregation has been utilizing the crowded facilities of an educational building to which the new structure is joined. This arrangement made it necessary to

conduct two morning services, and many of the classes and departments had to be temporarily combined so that meeting space for all could be available.

The building program included a beautifully designed, colonial type, sanctuary with a seating capacity of 450, and a colonnade which connects the foyer of the auditorium to a new addition at the front of the educational building. The Moler pipe organ previously used by the church has been rebuilt, and a number of stops have been added thereto. A music room, office suite, and expanded educational facilities

complete the building which has been erected at a cost of approximately \$225,000.00.

B. D. Statham has served as Chairman of the Building Committee which was composed of two sub-committees. Chairman of Deacons, G. B. McDaniel, headed the Committee on Finance, and L. I. Pigott has led the Planning and Interior Decorating Committee. Ben Stewart has devoted much time to this program as liaison between the church, Sherman Construction Company, and the architectural firm of Overstreet, Ware, and Ware.

Rev. James B. Riley is pastor of the church.

Clarke To Send 19 Summer Missionaries

A special dedication service was held at Clarke College, May 16 for nineteen students appointed to do summer mission work.

These will assist in revivals, Vacation Bible Schools, Assembly Camps and Good Will Centers, in various sections of the nation during vacation period.

Those appointed by the Home Mission Board are: David Cargill, to Ohio; Elsie Word, to Oklahoma; Mary Wolf, to California; Ray Roberts to Ohio; Betty Anderson, to Maryland; Bert Wiggers to Ohio; Ann Lee to Illinois; Jeannette Hill to Kansas; Amy Gunter to Kentucky; Evelyn Dupree to Missouri; and Ruth Skinner to Kansas.

Others serving in Mississippi at Camp Garaywa are: Mary Cutts, Barbara Regal, and Janice Cooper; and at Gulfshore are: Gwyn McGee, Glenda Belk, Mary Ellen Hall, Jerry Strahan and Barbara Lewis.



MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE students enrolled in the course, "Mississippi Baptists at Work," visited the Baptist Building, the Baptist Hospital, and the offices of Hinds County Baptist Association, on Friday, May 10. They are shown above with Rev. Lincoln Newman, Juvenile Rehabilitation worker, and Dr. Foy Rogers, Secretary, Cooperative Missions Department, who escorted them on the tour. Professor Norman O'Neal teaches the class. This class on the work of Mississippi Baptists and similar classes at Blue Mountain, Carey and Clarke were begun through the coordinated efforts of the Cooperative Missions Department and the Home Mission Board. The Cooperative Missions Department, Dr. Rogers, Secretary, and Miss Grace Lovelace, Office Secretary, assembled the textbook for the course.

Names In The News

Rev. E. D. Estes, 4838 Woodmont Drive, Jackson, was the evangelist for a revival April 28-May 5 at Melrose Heights Church, Miami, Florida. There were five professions of faith, three of these uniting with Melrose Church. Two joined the church by statement; ten made rededications. Rev. Jim Sibole is pastor.

Frank Horton, Director of Baptist Student Union, Mississippi State University, taught the BSU Manual at the MSCW BSU Retreat May 1.

Bobby Shows, senior at Miss. State Univ., was speaker for a Father-Son Banquet at Coffeeville Church on April 29. He was also speaker for morning worship services at Central Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, on May 5.

Huel Moseley, senior at Miss. State Univ., and recent appointee for student summer missions in Hong Kong, was speaker at Fairview Church, Columbus, May 5. Rev. Luther Litchfield is pastor.

Johnny Baker, BSU president at Miss. State University, participated in a Conference for Fellowship of Christian Athletes at University of Southern Miss., May 10 and 11.

Rev. Marvin Bice has accepted the pastorate of the Brewer Church, Perry County.

Rev. Floyd Tharp has been called as pastor of the Indian Springs Church, Perry County.

Rev. Charles Fortenberry has resigned the pastorate of Antioch Church, Marion County, effective May 12.

Rev. Artie Brewer has changed pastorate, going from Trinity Church, Laurel, to Goss Church in Marion County.

Eugene M. Koebler, dean of Gardner-Webb Junior College, Building Springs, N. C., has been named Dean of Louisiana College, Pineville, La., effective August 1. Both are Baptist.

ern Mississippi and New Orleans Seminary.

Rev. L. H. McCollough on May 5 began his sixth year as pastor of East Morton Church in Scott County. Rev. McCollough, who will graduate from Mississippi College next semester, will enter New Orleans Seminary in January, 1964.

Rev. Charles Dorris celebrated his fourth anniversary as minister of education and music at First Church, Crystal Springs, on May 5. Rev. Estus Mason is pastor.

Miss Theora Hamblett, well known artist, has given one of her pictures to First Church, Oxford, where she is a member. The picture is titled "Moses and the Burning Bush." Miss Hamblett presently has an exhibition at the Morris Gallery in New York City. Her paintings have been purchased by Nelson A. Rockefeller, Alec Guinness, and many others. Rev. Wayne Coleman is pastor of First Church, Oxford.

Mrs. Bill (Janice) Nelson has resigned as secretary at First Church, Eupora. Mrs. Betty Armstrong has been employed as the new secretary. Rev. Clarence Cutrell is pastor.

Paul Nummery, Superintendent, Baptist Children's Village, was the featured speaker at First Church, Yazoo City, on May 5. Mrs. Fran Rodgers, Director of Music at the Village, and the Teenettes Singing Ensemble from the Village presented special music. Rev. James Yates is pastor at First, Yazoo City.

Rev. Robert Eddie Wiggins has been called to the pastorate of the Horse Shoe Lake Church near Tchula. He has been serving as minister of music at Center Terrace Church, Canton.

The full text of Pope John XXIII's 20,000-word encyclical, *Pacem in Terris*, has been placed in the Congressional Record for the reference of members of Congress.



REIGNING as the 1963 Queen of May at William Carey College on May 4 was lovely Cecilia Koh, a Senior honor student from Singapore. Cecilia (center) is surrounded by her Court. Left to right are Barbara Hollingsworth, Ann Mull, Rachel Ward, maid-of-honor, Jackanel McQueen, Dale Meador, and Carol Brumfield. Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, President, crowned Miss Koh in a pageant depicting the theme, "Profile of Progress," which is currently being carried out in the Carey College \$700,000 campaign.

Training Union Editor Advised By Young People In Lesson Courses

NASHVILLE—Where do the units and topics come from which form the basis for study by Training Union young people?

"Training Union young people themselves figure prominently in the picture!" said Dr. Rice A. Pierce of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

At the Training Union Youth Conference at Gorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly, June 6-12, a group of young people will meet daily with Dr. Pierce, editor of young people's Training Union lesson courses.

"This group of outstanding young people is known as the Lesson Course Advisory Council," Dr. Pierce explained. "Training Union young people, entering adulthood as they are competent, to say something of what they need to study in Training Union on Sunday evening."

To Discuss Content In the daily conference at Gorieta, the group will discuss the content and make-up of future issues of "Baptist young people" and "Baptist married young people." Training Union quarterly.

"The suggestions from this group will have a bearing on quarterlies as early as next spring," Dr. Pierce said. "Council members will serve for a year, during which time they will evaluate the effectiveness of current quarterlies wherever they are."

Members are selected by state Training Union secretaries. Each state secretary will appoint a young man and young woman from his state delegation to help with this research project.

The first all-new cannon to be unveiled in almost a decade made its official debut on March 23 when a new 175-millimeter gun was assigned to the Army's artillery at the Artillery and Missile Center in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. The giant gun, which has a tube 35 feet long, is mounted on a diesel-powered, tracked vehicle which can move rapidly over the roughest terrain. Shells, weighing nearly 100 pounds each, are loaded automatically.



MRS ARTHUR STARRETT has assumed her duties as financial and educational secretary at First Church, Biloxi, according to Rev. Schuyler M. Batson, pastor. Mrs. Starrett, the former Inez Terrell of McComb, went to Biloxi from Vidor, Texas, where she had been employed in Civil Service. Prior to this, she served as church secretary in First Church, Vidor.

A report to the American Medical Association by Dr. Joseph H. Crampton, Seattle, Washington, indicates that drinking as much as a quart of lemonade can cause a sugar deficiency called "hypoglycemia" that can readily be mistaken for alcohol intoxication.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Petal-Harvey: April 21-28; Rev. A. Ben Hatfield, Florida Boulevard Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, evangelist; Ray Luper, music director; Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor; 21 dedications to visitation and soulwinning; two rededications; one deciding to start a family altar; three surrendering to God's will for their lives; 10 professions of faith; 13 additions by letter.

Natchez, Emmanuel: Dr. Robert L. Hughes, pastor; Rev. Clyde Kendall, Atlanta, Georgia, evangelist; 145 decisions; 75 additions to the church—60 professions of faith; 15 additions by letter; 67 rededications—in most instances commitments to tithing, full-time service, or reconciliation with others toward whom hard feelings had existed.

Grenada, Emmanuel: 16 additions; 11 professions of faith; five additions by letter.

Pass Road, Gulfport: April 14-26; Rev. R. V. Walker, Unity Church, Pascagoula, evangelist; A. B. Rutland, Pass Road, song leader; Rev. John W. Wade, pastor; 22 professions of faith; eight additions by letter; 98 rededications; two surrendering for full-time Christian service.

Ashanti Church Formed In Kumasi

A five-year-old congregation of Ashanti Baptists in Kumasi, Ghana, organized into the New Tafo Baptist Church on March 31. Thirty-eight persons moved their letters from Sadler Baptist Church to form the nucleus of the membership, and 10 persons were baptized on organization day by the pastor, J. K. Nkrumah, and Southern Baptist Missionary Maurice Smith.

More than 300 persons from Baptist churches and preaching stations in the Kumasi area attended the organization service. In a charge to the members of the new church, Missionary William E. Arnold stressed the distinctive nature of a New Testament church and its responsibility to witness to people of every language.



Temple Church Slates Homecoming

Plans are being completed for Homecoming on May 19 at Temple Church, Jackson. Rev. Barney Walker, a former pastor, will bring the morning message that Sunday.

The church was organized on May 17, 1953 under the leadership of the late Rev. J. A. Barnhill. The church entered the present building in February 1960 at a cost of \$65,500.00. Recent improvements include the installation of air conditioning.

This will also mark the anniversary of the present pastor, Dr. R. A. Herrington. It was two years ago on May 15 that Dr. Herrington came to the church as pastor.

All former members of the church are invited to return for the day. Lunch will be served on the ground about 12:30 and an afternoon program of music will begin at 1:30.

Ellerbe Goes To Lake Charles

M. Fred Ellerbe accepted the call of First Church, Lake Charles, Louisiana, as minister of music, effective May 15. Mr. Ellerbe had been minister of music at Calvary Church, Jackson, for the past seven years.

Mr. Ellerbe received the A. B. degree in music from Louisiana College and the Master of Sacred Music degree from Southwestern Seminary. He has done graduate study in voice at LSU and Columbia University. Mrs. Ellerbe is the former Fay Downs of Alexandria, Louisiana. They have four children.